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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Yiming ZHOU
 Appl. No. : 09/656,969
 Filed : September 7, 2000
 For : DISTRIBUTED SERVICE PROVIDER
 Art Unit : 2154
 Examiner : ZHONG, Chad

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Claims as Amended

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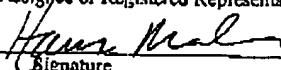
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 10, 2003 and Office Communication mailed December 31, 2003 (resetting the term), please amend the above-identified application as follows: